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OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

The loss of H.M. Submarine H.47, sunk in the Irish Channel by the L12, ranks among the saddest of naval disasters since the War.

Two members of her crew, including the commanding officer, were saved, presumably by the L12, but no hope is entertained that any of the remainder are alive.

No details of the circumstances of the collision are available, but it is believed that the H.47 was badly holed and must have filled rapidly.

Twenty-two Dead.

London, July 9. Twenty-two lives have been lost, it is feared, as the result of the collision between two British submarines in the Irish Sea off the coast of Wales to-day.

A naval flying-boat hovered over the spot the whole of the evening trying to locate the craft, while mine-sweepers are standing by, ready to attempt to lift the submarine. Efforts are however practically doomed owing to the depth of water.

An official communiqué, issued this afternoon, states:

"The Secretary of the Admiralty regrets to announce that H.M. Submarine H.47 was sunk after a collision with H.M. Submarine L12 in the Irish Sea this morning about twenty-two miles to the northward of Small's Lighthouse and about twenty miles due west from Fishguard.

"The commanding officer of the H.47, Lieutenant R. J. Gardner, and Petty Officer Telegraphist Cleburne, have been saved.

"Leading Signalman Bull, of L12 is missing, and the condition of Able Seamen Samson, of L12, who was injured by the collision, is critical.

"No further details have been received. The cause of the accident is not yet known. Arrangements are being made with all despatch to attempt the salvage of H.47 which lies in about fifty fathoms of water."

Statement in Commons.

The disaster was the subject of a question in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, made a statement giving the facts disclosed in the communiqué.

He added that the Submarine H.47 formed part of an instructional submarine flotilla proceeding from Lamlash to Portland. The L12 was also one of the flotilla.

The circumstances of the collision have not yet been made available.

Expert Sent.

Mr. Alexander informed the House that steps were being taken with all despatch to locate the H.47, but her salvage in such deep water was most improbable. The best diving apparatus available was already on the way to the scene, while the noted expert, Professor Leonard Hall, was on his way to advise and deal with the diving operations.

No Hope Entertained.

"I regret, however," added the First Lord, "that no hope can be entertained of any of the remainder of her crew being alive. I am sure the whole House will join in conveying our heartfelt sympathy with the bereaved relatives."

The submarine H.47 is of the Holland type, which are the smallest and slowest of British submarines. She was of one of 440 tons displacement, and carried a crew of twenty-three. It will be recalled that one of her sister-ships sank in the dock at Devonport in August, 1928, and

LATEST ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

AMERICAN AIRMEN LAND IN SPAIN.

PETROL EXHAUSTION.

Madrid, July 9.

The second successful crossing of the Atlantic this year has been accomplished by the American airmen, Captain Lewis Yancey and Roger Williams, who landed in the "Pathfinder" on a beach near Santander, Spain, at ten minutes past nine this evening.

Daylight was rapidly fading when the glowing monoplane appeared from the blue flying very low down.

The occupants waved their handkerchiefs to denote their desire to land, and the peasants lighted a bonfire to indicate suitable ground.

The airmen state that their unexpected descent was due to the exhaustion of their petrol supplies.

They propose to resume the flight to Rome at daybreak to-morrow.

It is a somewhat remarkable coincidence that the airmen should have landed near Santander as their rivals, Lefevre and Assolant, also alighted in the same vicinity from the same cause in the "Yellow Bird" a month ago.

It will be recalled that Yancey and Williams intended to race the "Yellow Bird" across the Atlantic in a machine called the "Green Flash." The "Green Flash" was wrecked in attempting to take off, and they set out therefore on a Bellanca monoplane, the "Pathfinder."

They left Old Orchard, Maine, at about ten o'clock yesterday morning.—Reuter.

KING CARRIES OUT DUTIES.

VISITED BY DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

London, July 9.

H.M. the King, who passed a comfortable night, has not dropped any of his usual activities. It was officially stated to-day there was nothing to report regarding his condition.

Sir Stanley Hewitt and Dr. Martyn visited the King this morning but remained only a few minutes with his Majesty.

The doctors this afternoon examined the X-ray photographs taken yesterday.

The King's third son, the Duke of Gloucester, who arrived home via Canada from his visit to Japan this afternoon, was greeted by His Majesty in the Palace grounds, where the King spent a great part of the afternoon.

His Majesty rose at the usual hour, and carried out normal routine work this morning in the mid-stream.—Reuter and British Wireless.

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New York, July 9.

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The Mayors of New York and New Jersey participated in the ceremonies aboard a steamer in mid-stream.—Reuter's American Service.

PARIS DIPLOMATIC SENSATION.

HUGE FIND OF DRUGS IN AFGHAN'S BOXES.

Paris, July 9.

The authorities are investigating a mystery associated with four boxes of "personal effects" consigned under cover of diplomatic immunity to a high official of the Afghan Legation.

An examination of the contents showed that the boxes contained heroin and cocaine valued at Frs. \$32,000.

The official concerned was recently transferred to Moscow.—Reuter.

WAR DEBTS AND REPARATIONS.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT ATTITUDE.

LABOUR BACKS UP CHURCHILL INTIMATION TO FRANCE.

BRITISH SACRIFICES.

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Replies to questions in the House of Commons to-day, in one of which a Chinese girl was fatally injured.

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Continuing, Mr. Snowden said the Government was watching with very considerable interest the discussions now proceeding in Paris, and if the circum-

stances contemplated in the question arise, the Government would certainly insist on the conditions laid down by Mr. Churchill.

Loss to Britain.

Questioned regarding the loss that would be entailed by Britain by reason of a departure from the Spa percentages recommended in the Owen Report, Mr. Snowden said they amounted on an average to approximately £2,400,000 yearly.

The capital value of this annual loss would depend on the interest selected, but applying the 5½ per cent. table, which they themselves had utilised for their calculations, it amounted to £37,500,000. The great bulk of the loss would, however, only begin to be incurred after ten years.

The report recommended that the French Government should receive a preponderating share of the unconditional part of the German annuity, but that they should provide a Guarantee Fund amounting to £25,000,000, which would be drawn upon to make good to other creditors Powers any loss arising out of the postponement of the rest of the payment.

France-Italian Priority.

Provided this Guarantee Fund was effectively put in force, the security of the British share as compared with the French should not be appreciably reduced, so long as any postponement of the German payment was limited to two years, as contemplated in the plan. But, of course, the Guarantee Fund afforded no security against the cessation or longer postponement of the additional annuities.

To the extent that they were regarded as possibilities, it might be said that the effect of the Young plan was to concede priority to France and Italy.—Reuter and British Wireless.

France-Italian Priority.

The Australian aeroplane "Southern Cross," which on its journey from Australia to England arrived at Rome this afternoon, is due to leave for London at dawn to-morrow.—British Wireless.

SIAMESE ANXIETY.

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF HEIR TO THE THRONE.

Paris, July 9.

The French reply, forwarded to the British Foreign Office, agrees on August 5th as the date for the International Conference with regard to Reparations, but holds out for Switzerland as the venue.—Straits Times.

WEST POINT MOTOR ACCIDENTS.

EUROPEAN INVOLVED IN CITY FATALITY.

LORRY DRIVER ROBBED

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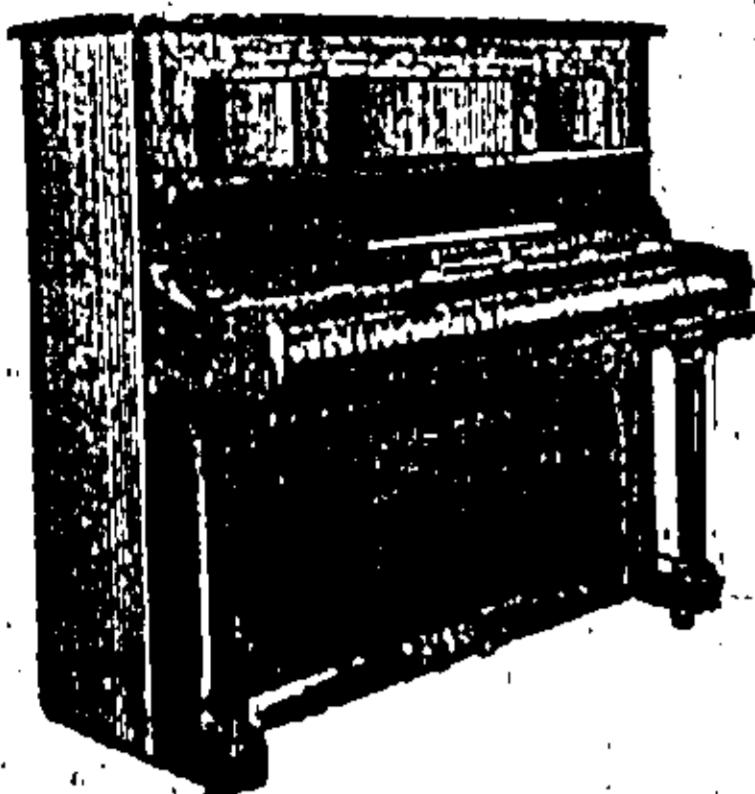
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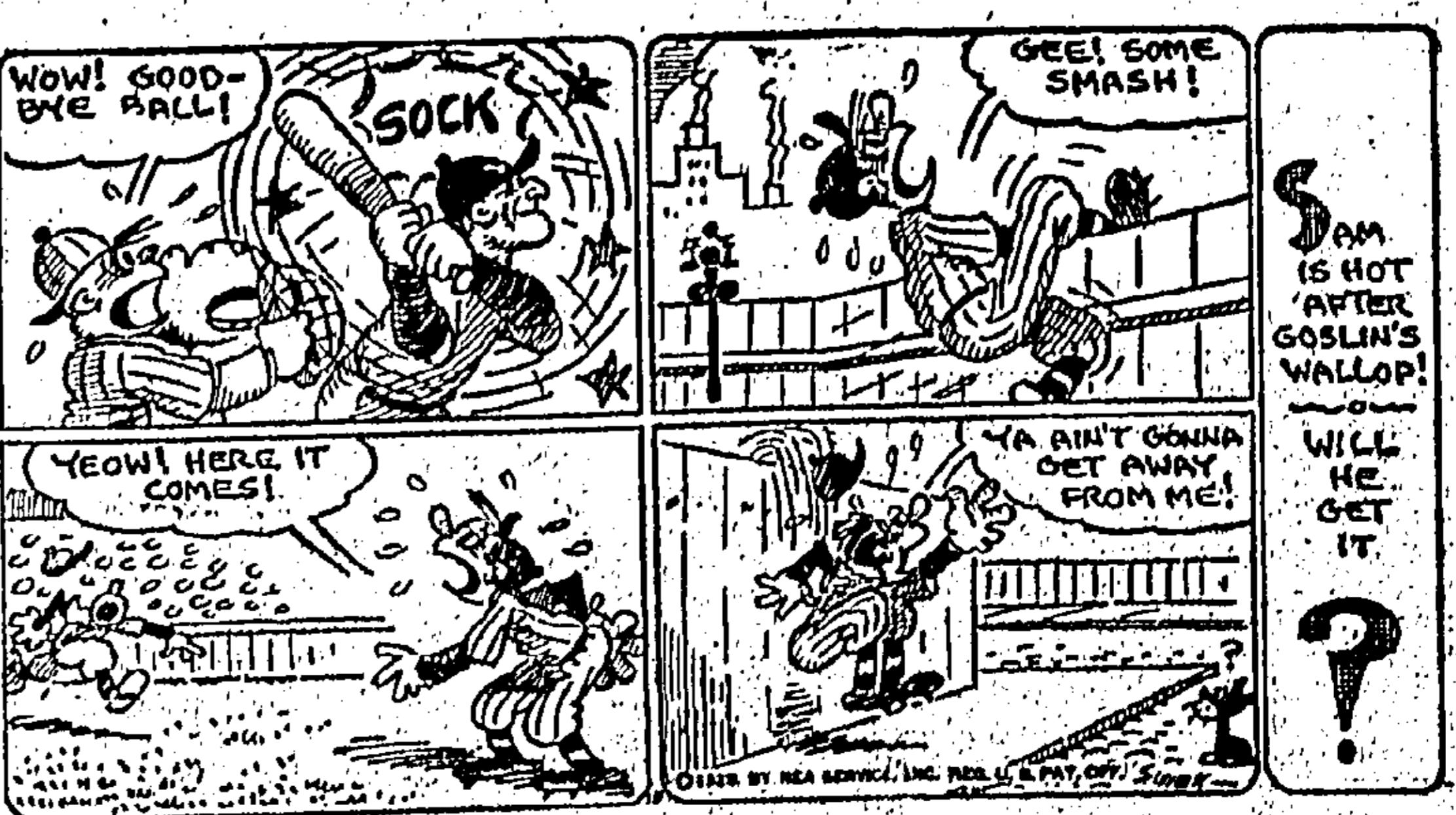
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SANITARY BOARD APPOINTS SELECT COMMITTEE.

SEPTIC TANK ISSUE.

At yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, the Chairman (Mr. W. J. Carrie) said that the Board had appointed a select committee, consisting of the Vice-President, the Medical Officer of Health, and two Unofficial members, to deal with applications for the installation of flush systems. The decisions of this Committee, if unanimous, were to be taken as decisions of the Board.

Those present at the meeting were Mr. W. J. Carrie (chairman), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Dr. H. A. Fawcett (M.O.H.), Dr. W. V. M. Koch, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Messrs. Wong Kwong-tin, M. K. Lo, T. N. Chau and J. Watson (secretary).

Pursuant to notice Mr. M. K. Lo asked:

1.—With reference to applications to the Sanitary Board for permission to install flush water closets, is it the ruling of the Board:—(a) That such applications must be refused if the available Government sewer is for any reason not considered satisfactory as a direct means of discharge, and (b) That in urban areas on sea level septic tanks cannot be allowed?

2.—If the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, what are the reasons for such ruling?

3.—Is it a fact that a well known firm of architects have sent to the Board a plan for a septic tank (in connexion with an application for permission to install water closets in Kowloon) as to which such architects have made the following claims:

(a) That such septic tanks, constructed upon the principle of triple-chambered design, in accordance with the plans sent in, will discharge clear odourless effluent into the sewer and thence into the sea and would prove unobjectionable in all respects;

(b) That cast iron pipes with leaded joints being used, there is no question of contaminating the surrounding soil nor any source of water supply;

(c) That sullage water does not enter into the septic tank but is taken to the sewer, and,

(d) That the removal of sludge need only occur approximately every twelve months?

4.—If the answer to the last question is in the affirmative, is there any reason to doubt that septic tanks could be designed and constructed to function as indicated in the last question, and if so, what are the reasons for such doubt?

5.—If septic tanks could be designed and constructed to function as indicated in question 3, what are the sanitary objections to such septic tanks in cases where the Government sewer is not available as a direct means of discharge from flush water closets?

6.—Is it desirable from the sanitary point of view that, in urban areas on sea level, Government sewers capable of being a direct discharge from flush water closets should be available?

Committee's Powers.

The Chairman said:

Before I answer these questions it seems advisable to remind members that as applications for the installation of flush systems frequently give rise to problems of a highly technical nature, and in order that applications may be expeditiously dealt with, the Board has appointed a Select Committee of itself, consisting of the Vice-President, the Medical Officer of Health and two Unofficial mem-

bers "to exercise the powers and functions of the Board under Section 162 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 providing always that where the Select Committee shall not be unanimous in their decision the matter shall be referred to the Board for decision." A unanimous decision of this Committee is therefore the decision of the Board.

Question 1 (a) I do not like to call it a ruling of the Board as each application is, I know, considered fully on its own merits, but an application must be refused if there is no satisfactory sewer connexion available.

1 (b) Septic tanks in urban areas cannot be allowed.

Question (2) Septic tanks are considered wholly unsuitable in urban areas and would not be allowed in any modern city.

Architects' Claims.

Questions (3), (4) and (5) are best taken together. I think reference is made to the application for a flush installation at the Young Men's Christian Association building, Waterloo Road, on Kowloon Island Lot No. 1483. The application was refused. The architects made the claims as stated but failed to substantiate their claims. The Committee considered that septic tanks could not give the excellent results predicted. The reasons for that opinion would appear to me to be as follows:

(i) Practically no tank is entirely devoid of smell and even odours so slight as to pass unnoticed in open country would be intolerable in close proximity to domestic buildings.

(ii) Experience shows that the effluent from an anaerobic tank is not clear and odourless; if it were, there would be little need for the further purification which is provided for in most installations.

(iii) The frequency with which a tank is sludged depends, amongst other things, upon its size in relation to the number of users, and in the case of a tank constructed to serve a large institution it is not improbable that an annual sludging would be found insufficient.

(iv) The principle if once adopted could not be confined to one applicant and would before long result in a multiplicity of tanks, some of which would almost certainly be neglected. Moreover, the sludging of the tanks at different times would be found very offensive in a densely populated residential district.

Question (6) The answer is in the affirmative and in this particular case plans already exist for intercepting sewer which will no doubt be constructed some day.

Rights of Board.

Mr. Lo said that before going on to Item No. 3 arising out of the Chairman's answer to his questions or rather to the preliminary remarks which he had made to the answers to his questions, that the decision of this Committee is therefore the decision of the Board, he did not know exactly whether the Chairman had meant by that that the Board as a board was absolutely divesting its right over that matter. Supposing the Board wished a decision of the Sub-committee to be revealed, he wished to know whether the Chairman's observations precluded such a possibility.

The Chairman said that the Board had appointed this committee and if it were unanimous that was the decision of the Board and he did not think that the Board would question it.

Mr. Lo said that he would pursue the matter at some later date. Resuming Mr. Lo said that the reason he brought this up was because that particular case had not been brought to the knowledge



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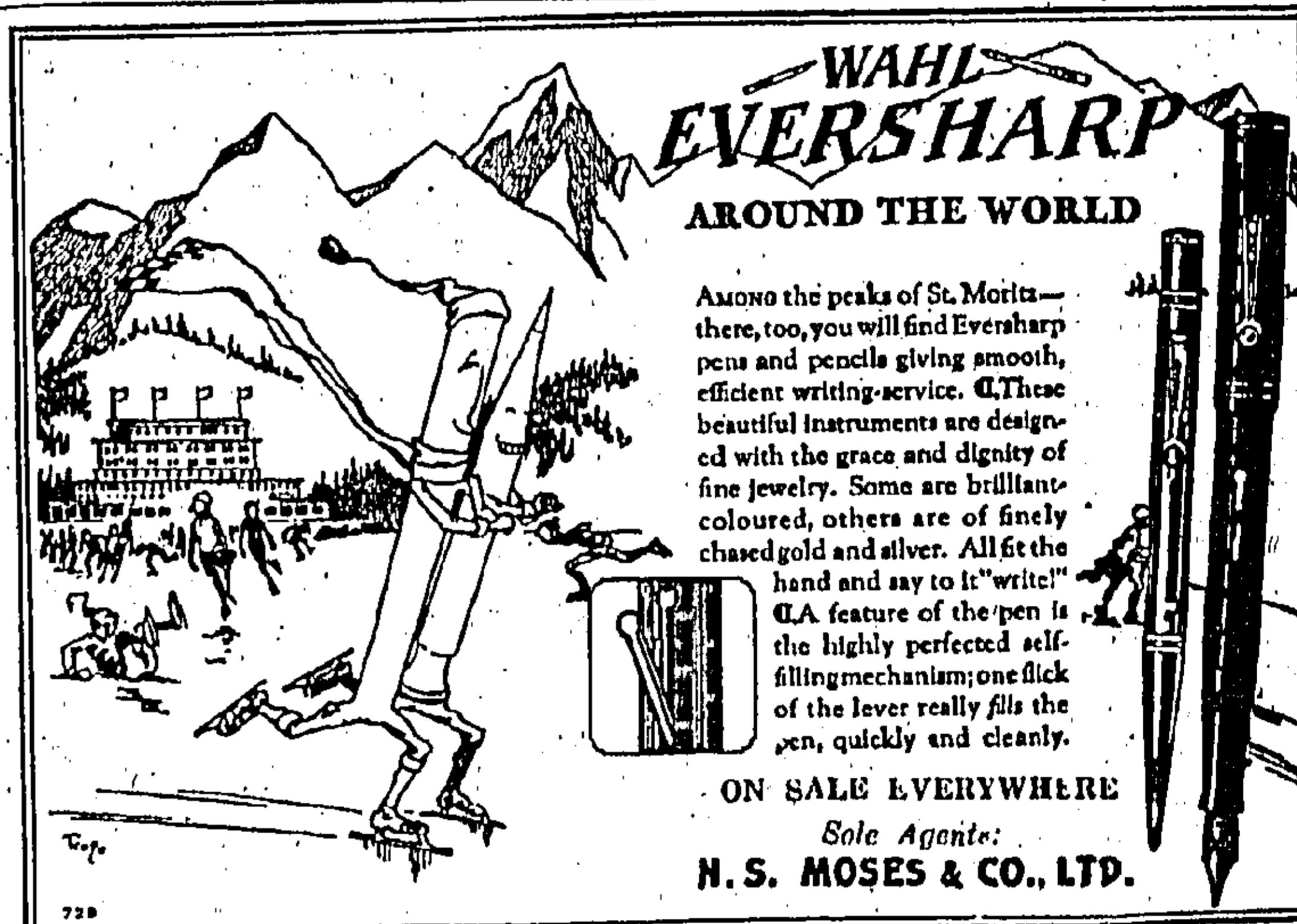
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The Chairman remarked that all papers were circulated but later amended this statement and said that where the application had been refused the papers were not referred to the pig-raising business.

Mr. Lo said that that was the very reason why they should be circulated. If applications were granted it would be all right, but if they were refused they should be circulated.

Cases of Rabies.

Mr. Lo then asked, pursuant to notice:—(a) Whether any case of rabies has been reported or has been suspected, as occurring in the Colony during 1929 and if not: (b) when was the last case reported?

To the first part of the question the Chairman replied that there was one case in January, 1929, and another in June, 1929, both occurred in the Au Tau Police District of the New Territories, one being human and the other canine.

The reply to the second part was: In that part of the Colony which is under the direct supervision of officers of the Board the last case of rabies was on 18th December, 1927.

Application Refused.

When an application for an offensive trade licence at No. 113 Wuhu Street came before the Board the Chairman stated that this referred to the pig-raising business. He mentioned that on a previous occasion, sometime in May, a pig was slaughtered on the premises and other evidence of nuisance was found. He remarked it was a very serious case and pointed out that as the law stood no action, save a refusal to renew the licence on its expiry, could be taken. He recommended that the application be refused.

The Board unanimously adopted the recommendation.

Mr. M. K. Lo asked if it were not possible to frame some condition on the licence to enable the Medical Officer of Health to cancel the licence in such cases even before the expiry of the licence.

He said that it seemed more desirable than waiting until the end of the year.

The chairman said that he quite agreed with Mr. Lo.

Cattle Returns.

Arising out of Item No. 11 dealing with the Cattle and Swine returns for the month of June, 1929, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga said that

he desired to address the meeting on this subject. He said:

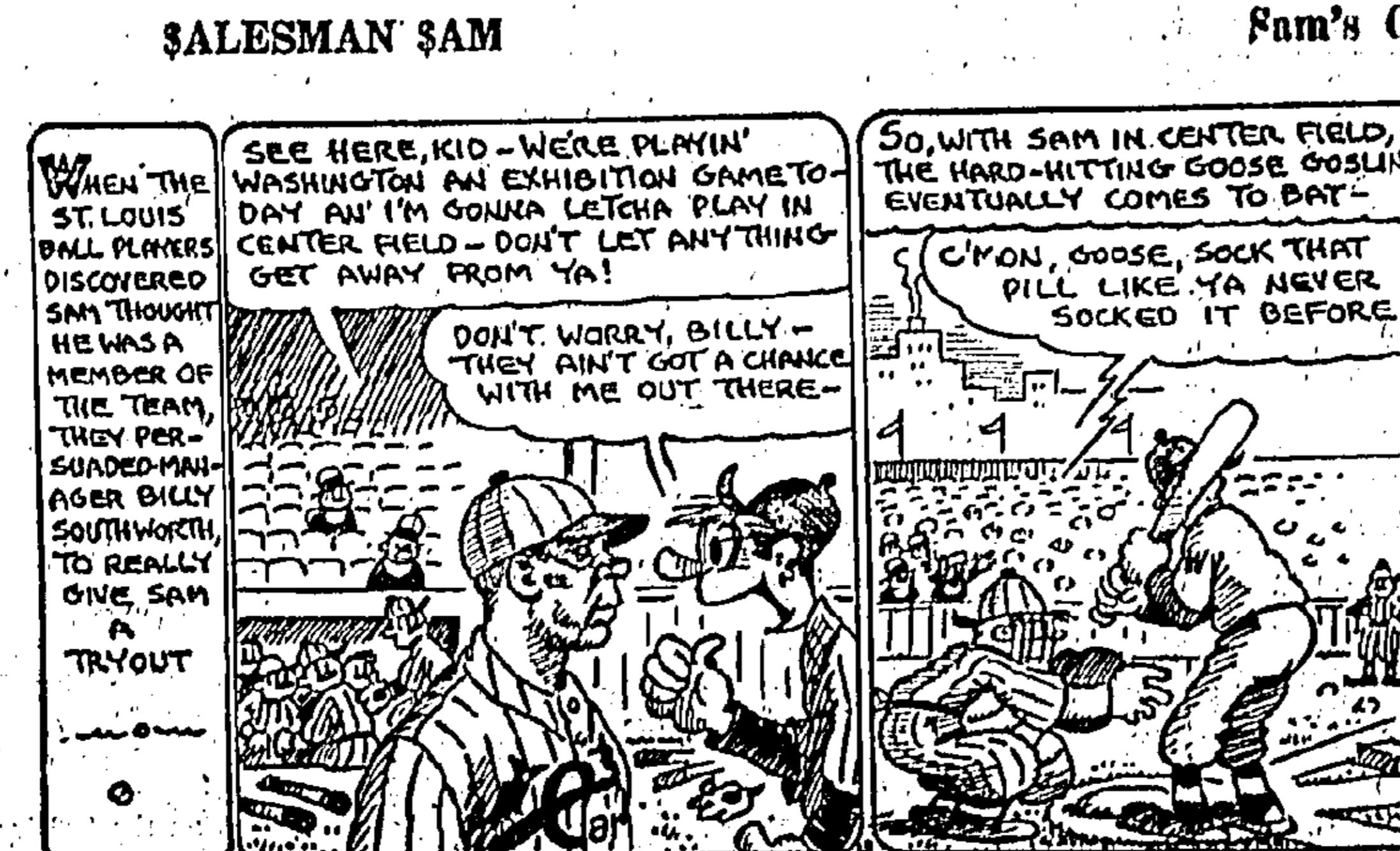
Prompted by curiosity I minutely examined the papers circulated to members and enquired for some explanation to account for a steady falling-off in the number of swine imported into the Colony for the past three months—April, May, and June. The respective figures are: 26,543, 24,543, and 23,335.

I wonder whether there is any connexion between a reduction in the quantity of pigs imported and the water famine. It can be shown for a fact that the water shortage is responsible for a draining out of a large number of the Chinese inhabitants from Hongkong, then the fear that the water question might have a direct bearing on the economics of the Colony is well established.

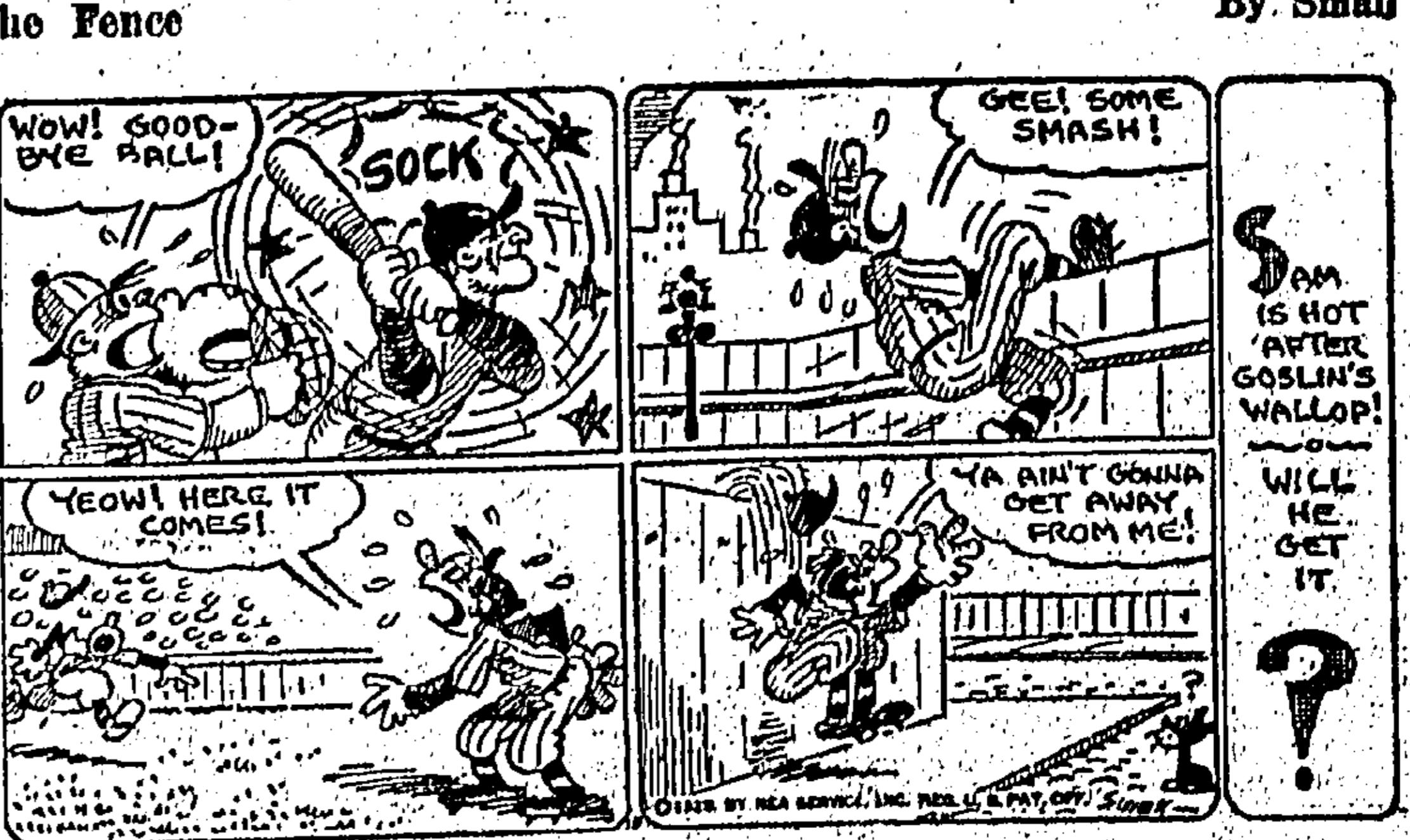
Official Figures.

Apart from the interest that might arise out of an academic discussion of the question a debate on the subject may be productive of practical value also. I have, therefore, extracted from the official returns the comparative figures for the months January-June (inclusive) for the years 1928 and 1929. Side by side, (Continued on Page 11.)

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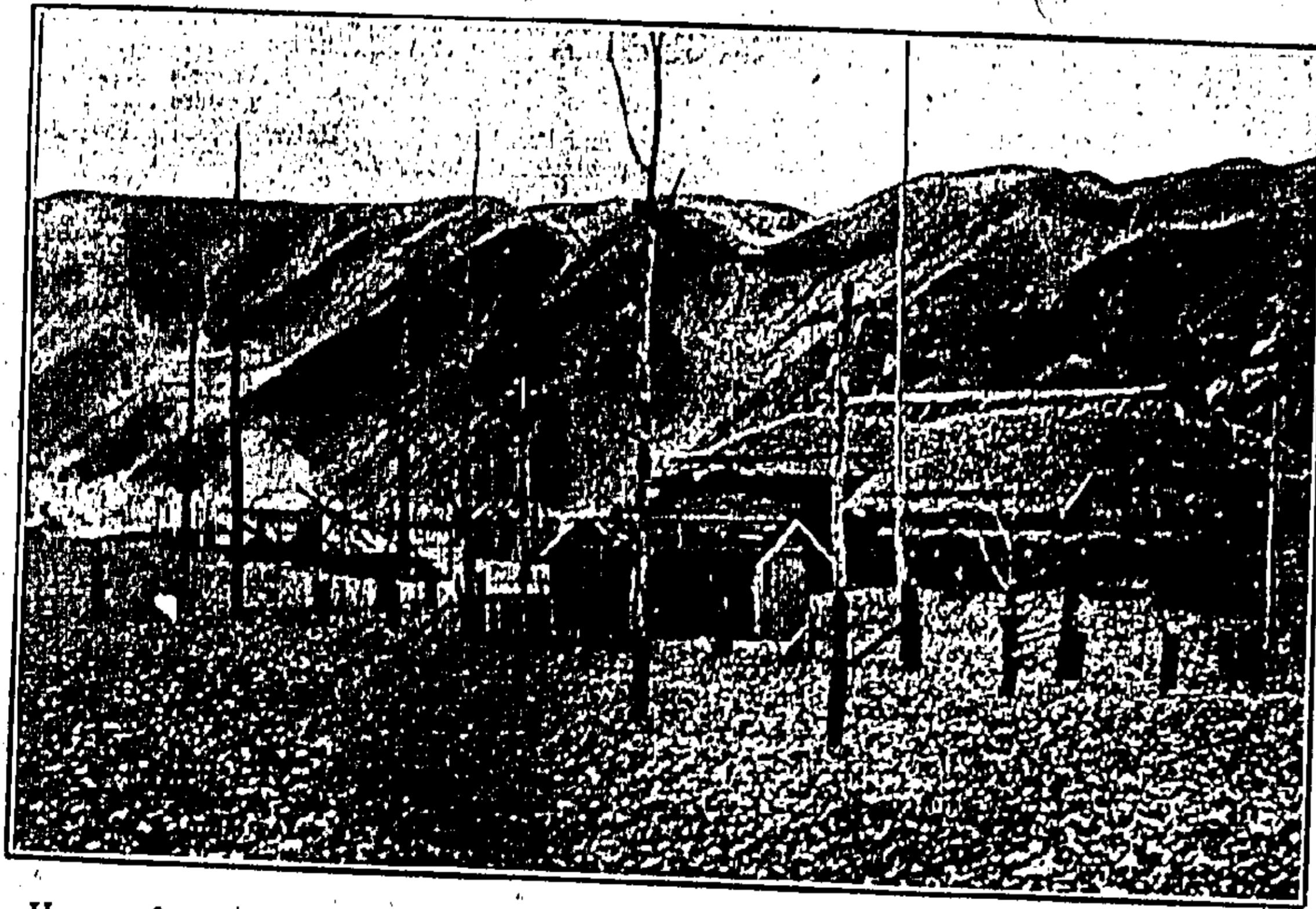
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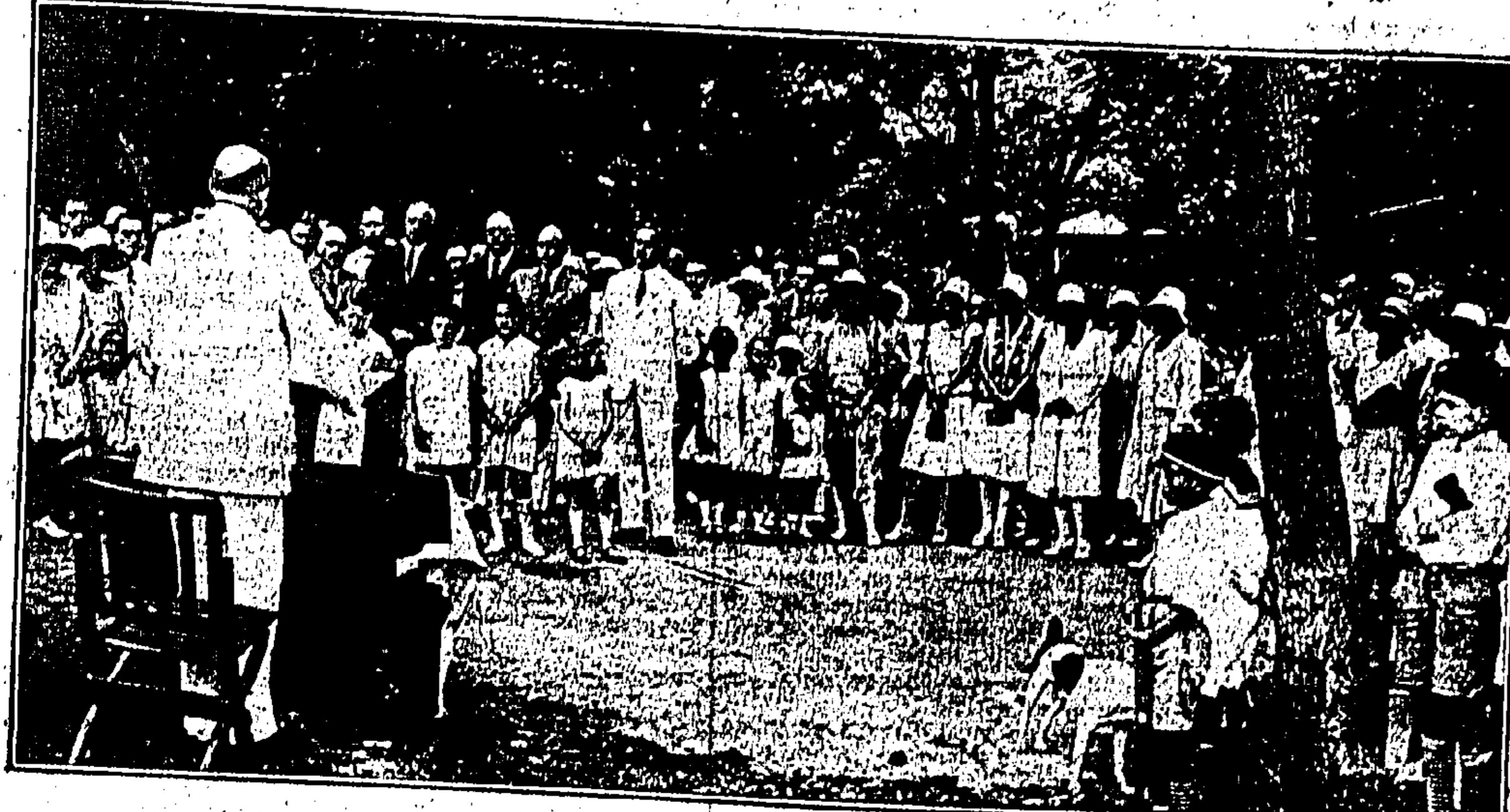
The scene at the King George V. in Paris, where work of the Committee of Experts appointed to devise a plan for the final settlement of the reparation problem was brought to an end by the signing of the agreed report. Mr Owen D. Young the American chairman of the Committee is seated in the centre at the top of the table with the interpreters. Sir Charles Addis, one of the British delegation, is the first figure on the right of the table, and seated next to the German delegate soon signing the report is Dr. Schacht, the head of the German delegation. (Times' copyright).



Homes of employees of the Hakodate Hydro-Electric Power Station at Shikotsu, Hokkaido, Japan, were buried in lava during the recent eruption of Mt. Komagatake. Branches were stripped from the trees by the lava and the falling stone. Photograph shows some of the houses still burning.



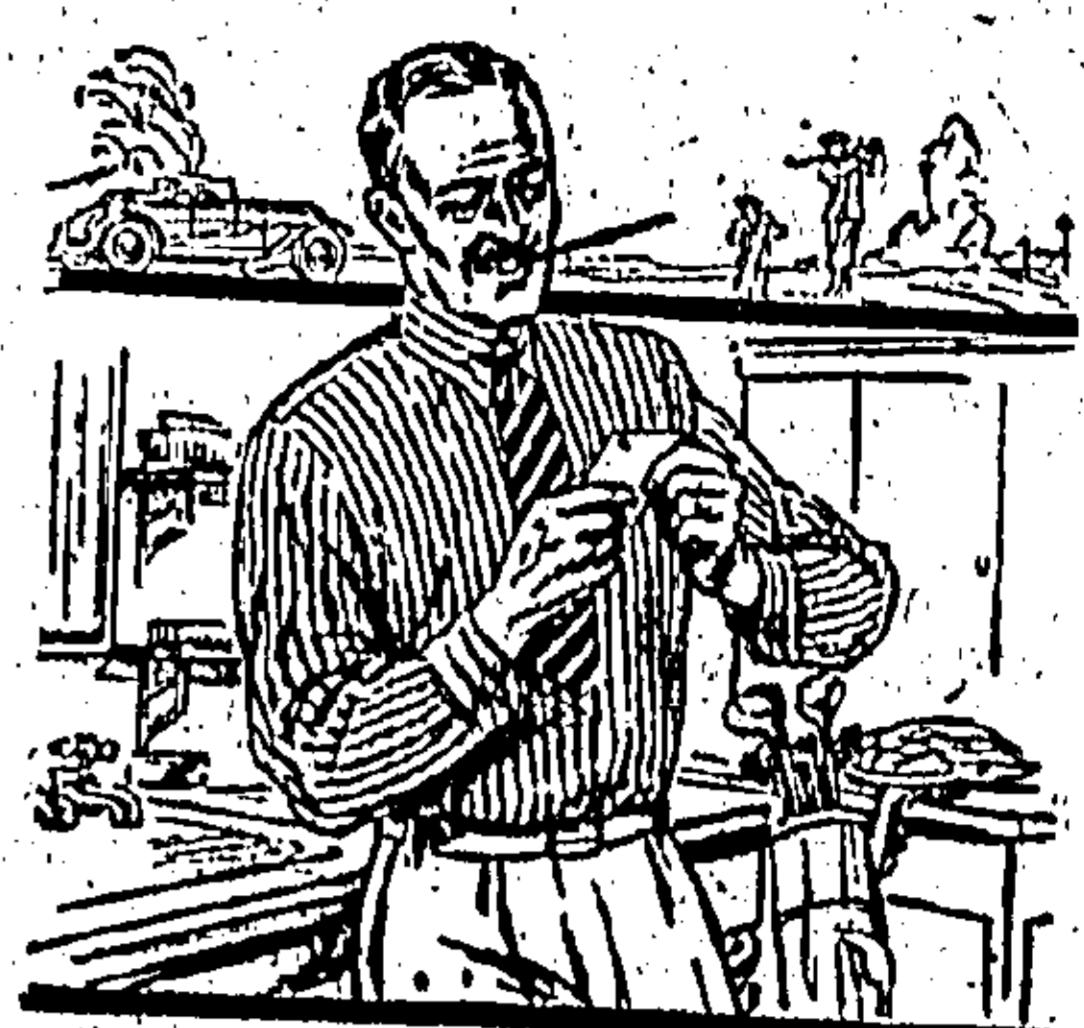
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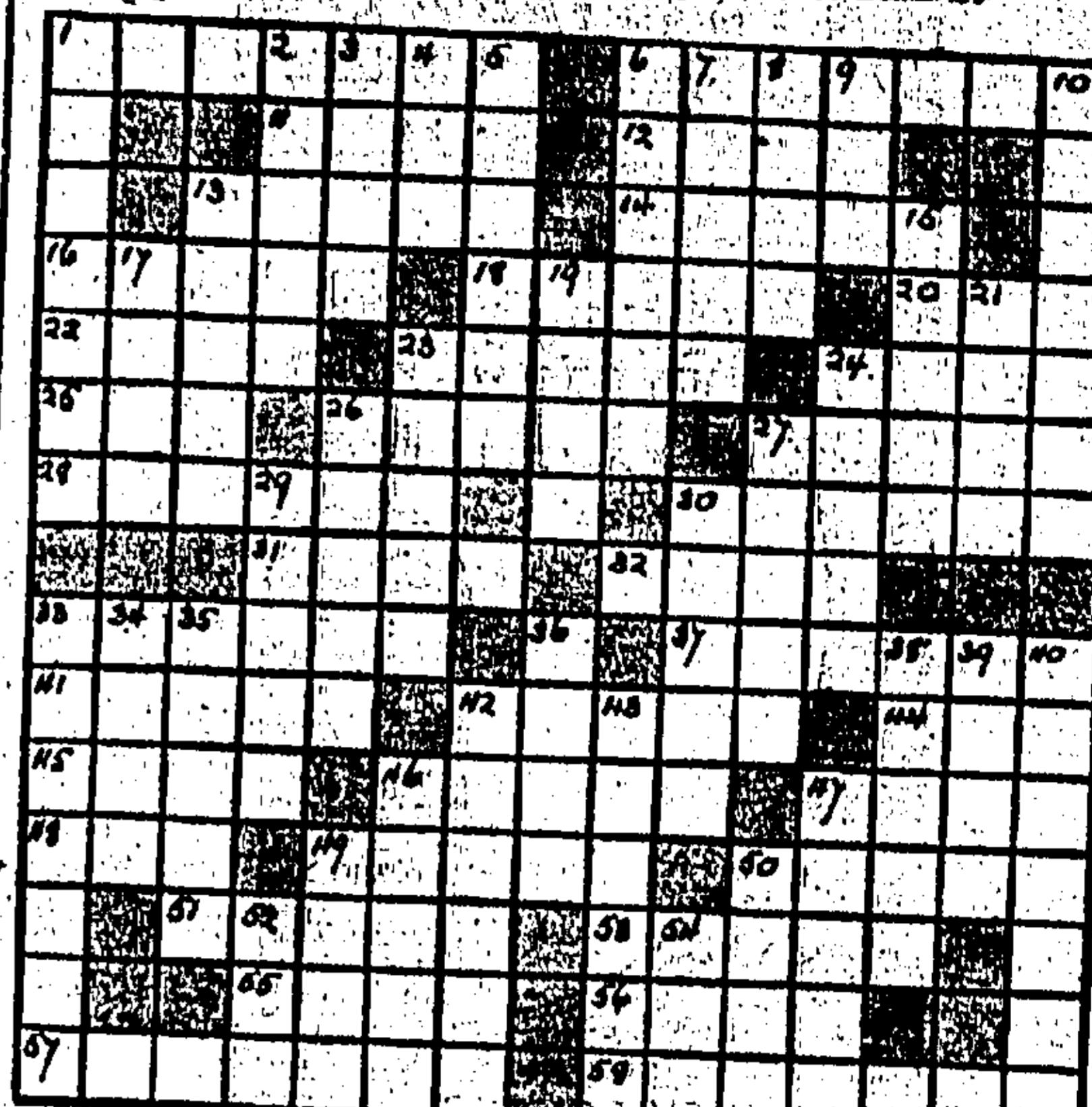
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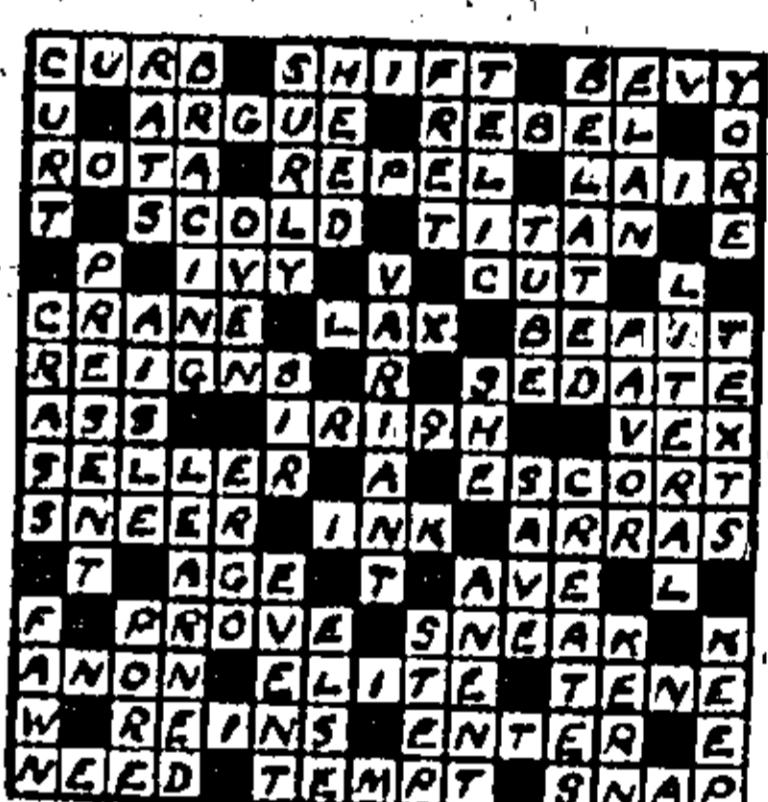
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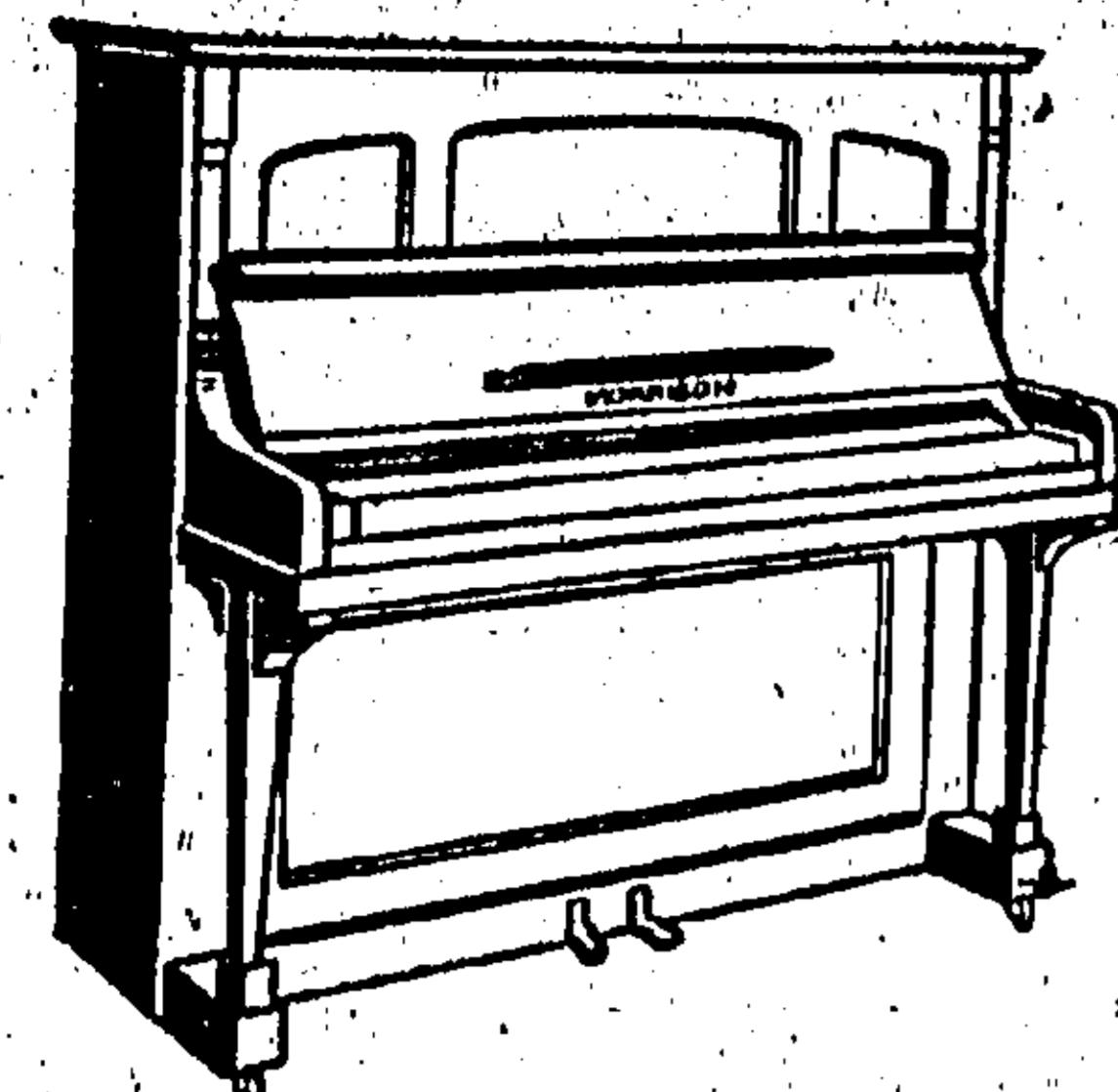
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THE WATER PROBLEM.

The only conclusion to be reached after reading the official utterances at Monday's meeting of the Water Emergency Committee is that the Government is determined to stick to the tank-and-bucket system of distribution until such time as the situation is relieved by long-hoped-for rains. In other words, the greater part of the community has to continue suffering the hardships and inconveniences of what is admittedly a far from ideal system. It is true that the official argument runs on the line that this is the only possible solution of the problem, but we are still inclined to think that the obstacles presented by other methods are being unduly magnified. Money is a factor, admittedly, but it is not the only or the primary factor in a situation like the present. Considerations of finance, indeed, may in the long run prove to be a penny-wise-and-pound-foolish policy. Fortunately, we have at the moment a big credit balance. Contentment and health might be guaranteed by drawing freely on this reserve.

Despite the figures quoted on Monday by the Director of Public Works, it has not yet been definitely proved that the supply of water through the mains to rider main property is impossible. We will concede that the prospect of paying about \$1,345,000 a month is little short of staggering, but it must not be forgotten that this figure is based on the employment of a fleet of thirty tankers to bring purchased water from Shanghai. Surely this is not the only means by which sufficient water can be got into the reservoirs to give a restricted supply to houses in the rider main areas? But the Government case does not stop there. We are told that we cannot hope to secure enough water to give an increased supply through the mains, and that such water as can be obtained from the Tytan pumps must be utilized to conserve the diminishing supplies. If that is really the case, all we

can say is that the Government has taken a long time to discover the facts. Weeks ago, the possibility of mechanical pumping of water into Tytan was first raised. After a time, it was conceded that the idea was feasible. Next, it was discovered that it would cost too much. Now we are told that to put the water into the mains and through system would double the consumption. Surely it did not need the best part of a month to reach these conclusions. A little rapid ready-reckoning ought to have sufficed to make the position clear. Another matter which causes us some surprise is that, after all the talk about the necessity of getting a big fleet of lighters, it has now become apparent that coasting steamers are far to be preferred.

There are many other aspects of the situation which could be commented upon, at length, but we will content ourselves for the present with a reference to the proposal to charge meter-users for all water supplied. We very much question whether this is either equitable or necessary. The idea, apparently, is not to bring in revenue, but to prevent wastage. But has it been established that there is wastage on the part of meter-users? No figures have been given of the consumption from this source, and until they have been furnished we do not see how it can be contended that there is any serious leakage from this quarter. Be that as it may, residents and business firms on metered supplies already find living and overhead costs quite high enough, and we strongly feel that their burdens ought not to be added to without very good and adequate reasons.

The Channel Tunnel.

In outlining to Parliament a vast scheme of development in Britain, including the modernisation of the railway system, and the acceleration of public works, Mr. J. H. Thomas undoubtedly made an important contribution to current ideas regarding the most suitable methods of tackling the unemployment problem. No other criterion is necessary than the mild blessing of the Conservative Party conveyed by Mr. Churchill. At the same time we were somewhat surprised to note the omission from consideration of a scheme advocated at the beginning of the year, offering immense possibilities in the stimulation of basic industries, namely, the Channel Tunnel project. Whatever the political and military aspects of the proposal, the general body of opinion in the economic world seems to be wholeheartedly in favour. It would offer work for thousands of men over a long period directly, and the iron and steel industries, the coal industry, and other business enterprises would benefit enormously. No one doubts that the factor of cost could be overcome. One of the most attractive recommendations advanced by Mr. Brant, the head of the Continental Department, Southern Railway, who suggests that two ordinary tubes with electric traction, and automatic signalling could be substituted for the broad gauge railway plan, effecting a big saving in original outlay and affording almost equal service. He points out that his system would enable trains at ten minute intervals throughout the day and night, except for the necessary period of inspection, in all weathers and in perfect comfort. As far as we can see the "Minister of Employment" is not encouraging expedition by the Government Committee which was appointed in March last to examine the economic aspects of the construction of the tunnel. Members of Parliament who also observed the absence of reference to the Channel Tunnel in Mr. Thomas's unemployment speech, were told in answer to questions that the project involved a large number of geological, engineering, and technical problems (which was well understood), and that the report of the Committee would be available before the end of the year. We should have preferred to have been told that the new Administration had asked the Committee to expedite the investigation as far as practicable. It would be absurd to suppose that Mr. Thomas does not fully appreciate the potentialities of the project. A further statement would therefore be of value.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO POWER IN THE WORLD WHICH HAS SO MUCH TO DO WITH HEALTH AS THE DWELLING IN WHICH ONE LIVES—Mrs. Clare Gostick.

A Chinese woman was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday, after swallowing opium in an attempt to commit suicide.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Shiny Maru to-day were Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham, the Rev. A. G. Gamble, and Mr. R. Cox.

Among passengers arriving from Australia yesterday on the Taiping were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ballentyne, Capt. A. V. Harcourt, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Barrett, Mr. R. W. Garraway, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Mackenzie.

The steam launch Posidon, owned by Messrs. Holt, went aground shortly before two o'clock yesterday afternoon, to the south of Kellett Island, according to a report by Sergeant Fraser, of the Water Police. Salvage operations have been commenced.

We are asked to state that the photographic lecture and exhibition of prints at the University will be held to-morrow (Thursday), and not on Friday. The exhibition is being held under the auspices of the Hongkong University Amateur Photographic Club.

Mr. E. Cock, assistant manager of the Kowloon Dock, reports an accident which occurred on Monday, when a workman was seriously injured through being struck by a rock during excavation work in connexion with the new No. 1 Dock. The man has been removed to hospital.

Since the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home at Wan Chai was opened by His Excellency the Governor, 8,684 Service men have slept in the building; 1,979 men have been provided with hot baths; 2,680 games of billiards have been played; 684 parcels have been stored, and thousands of meals have been served.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., announce that the famous Parisian dancers, Nellie and Joe Farren, will give a special cabaret entertainment, during dinner dance, also the operatic tenor, Signor Adolpho Bellotti, at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden, on Friday, July 12 and Monday, July 15. They will be at the Repulse Bay Hotel, on Saturday, July 13.

The weekly return of the Medical Officer of Health covering the seven days ending Saturday last, contained two cases of enteric fever (one Japanese and one Chinese) and one each of diphtheria (Chinese) and para-diphtheria fever (Japanese). There were three deaths from small-pox and one from diphtheria. One death was also reported from influenza, which is not notifiable. Yesterday's return contained two cases of enteric fever and one each of small-pox, diphtheria and puerperal fever. The two enteric fever cases were British and the others were Chinese.

WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

	July 8	July 9
Shihling	17.9	16.8
Tsingyuen	5.7	5.4
Tsungshui	10.2	—
Shekung	2.3	—

A BAG SNATCHING INCIDENT.

RETURNED BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.

Li Tu (20), described as a native of Shun, was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning with stealing a handbag belonging to Miss M. Jorge, at Queen's Road Central. He pleaded guilty. It was stated that the bag was snatched from Miss Jorge as she was walking near the Colonial Dispensary yesterday afternoon; and but for the prompt action of a European, it was probable that the thief would have got away with the article.

Accused was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

A charge of returning from banishment was also proved against the accused, and on this charge he was further sentenced to a year's hard labour.

Both sentences were ordered to be served concurrently.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Increased Water Charges?

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir—I read in your paper last night, under the above heading that the Hon. Dr. Tso said: "Those who have no meters have to pay \$3.00 for a thousand gallons with carriage. Why not make the people who use excess water pay the same price as poor people would have to pay for the same amounts?"

I disagree with our hon. friend, for I think meter users are not using a drop more than is absolutely necessary; at the present moment, when the talk that one hears everywhere is "Water shortage."

Our hon. friend forgets that all meter users have to pay for the amount of water they use year in and year out, whereas those who have no meters are only paying now.

Yours, etc.,

S. C. M.

Hongkong, July 10th, 1929.

The Very Idea!

Family traditions are being well maintained in first-class cricket, this season. The sons of two famous cricketers have made their debuts for the same counties as their fathers, while the nephew of another has achieved international honours for the first time in his career.

The small boy was asked to write an essay of 300 words on motor-cars. This is what he wrote:

"My uncle bought a motor-car, and one day it broke down. I think this is about 20 words. The other 280 are what my uncle said as he walked home."

If all chatty people were silent, And all silent folk were to speak, We should learn in an hour more true wisdom Than now we can learn in a week.

A man at Willesden Police Court recently: I want a summons against the landlord of a public-house I use regularly. He is having the bar painted and I get the paint on my coat.

Lord Dunedin, in the House of Lords: I can never understand why a judge should not be a man of the world.

Solicitor defending a tailor charged at Old-street with defrauding a girl: The defence is that he was given the money to take her out—quite a usual practice in these days.

Mr. Cairns, the Thame magistrate: The clergy get all the glamour and glory of knitting couples up and I have to do all the unravelling.

Plaintiff at Clerkenwell County Court: Defendant went to a convalescent home at Broadstairs and returned with \$14 more than he took with him. He goes to the dogs every night.

Two schoolboy or girl (why shouldn't they be inaccurate for a change?) howlers recently reached a London paper by the same post from opposite ends of the Kingdom.

An answer to a question on "The Evidences of the Degeneration of the Religious Houses in Chaucer's Prologue" contained the following: "Drunkenness was clearly unknown for the Nunne was amiable of port."

Another boy, this time, wrote: "Shakespeare was a writer who lived at Windsor with his merry wives."

An amusing story was told at a political meeting at Bristol which deserves a wider circulation, if only for its bearing on the problem of "Safety First":

A boy went into a chemist's shop to use the telephone, and the chemist overheard him call up Dr. Brown and ask him if he wanted a boy.

"Are you quite satisfied with your present boy?" the lad inquired, and, after getting a reply, he answered, "Oh, then, I don't think I need trouble you any further, thank you."

With some sympathy for the lad in what he thought was a disappointment, the chemist offered him a job.

"Oh, I don't want a job," the boy replied.

"Why, you young beggar, you have just asked for a job," said the chemist.

"You see, I am Dr. Brown's boy, and I just wanted to see how I stood."

BRIDGE MADE EASY

by

W.W. Wentworth

The Rule of Eleven—1. Simple in its application, and readily learned, the rule of eleven is of immeasurable value in no-trump play. Understanding it warrants the description. In point of fact, the theme is stereotyped and the humour somewhat conspicuous by its absence—such as there is does not rise above the mediocre. We miss in this film Denny's true role but from which, for some reason, he appears to have departed in his most recent pictures.

If, however, "The Night Bird" is not a typically Denny film, there is some good acting, in which the honours are shared by Reginald Denny, Betsy Lee, and Sam Harvey, whilst the prize fight is effectively handled.

As an example of this principle, the following hands are depicted, the declaration being no-trump:

Dummy holding—clubs J 8 3.

East holding—clubs A 10 6.

Declarer holding—diamonds K 9.

7. West holding—clubs Q 5 4 2;

Leading the fourth card—from the top (the usual lead against a no-trump declaration) west plays clubs 2. Subtract two from eleven and the result is nine. Therefore, nine cards higher than the club 2 held by the dummy, east and the declarer both observe that it contains three cards higher than the club 2. That leaves a total of six divided between east and the declarer.

After a trial lasting eight days, George Rowland Collins, aged 36, an engineer, and Ruth Braesir, shop assistant, committed from Southend, were found not guilty at the Old Bailey of conspiring with other persons to defraud through the supplying of goods on credit and were discharged. The case was before the Court at the last session but the trial was interrupted through the illness of Judge Atherton-Jones, after a hearing lasting ten days.

CHIANG REPROVES THE NORTH.**KUOMINTANG CRITICS ADMONISHED.****URGED TO RESPECT NANKING ADMINISTRATION.****PROGRESS CLAIMED.**

Peking, July 9.
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has issued a Proclamation addressed to members of the Kuomintang Provincial Department in Chihli Province, whom the President of the National Government charges with entertaining a doubtful attitude towards the present National Government administration.

Marshal Chiang asserts that consequent on the "prevailing pernicious teachings in North China, the majority of Kuomintang youths in Peking and elsewhere in Chihli Province are showing a most disrespectful attitude towards the Nanking regime. The establishment of a number of small groups among the Kuomintang members to form independent political parties will, he says, eventually jeopardise the integrity of the Party.

Support Urged.

Chiang urges the Kuomintang followers in the North to give full-hearted support to the National Government. Both the civil and military works of the National Government are says Chiang, making rapid progress, and there is a distinct progress in the Nanking administration when compared with the time of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen at Canton or with the later period while the Nationalists were fighting Chang Tso-lin's regime at Peking.

The period of military activity is passing and in its future programme the National Government in Nanking is endeavouring its best to adhere strictly to the principles laid down by the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen so as to complete various gigantic works in the coming reconstruction period.

In conclusion Chiang urges the members to exercise more toleration and patience with the present Nanking regime.

Manchurian Affairs.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Marshal Yen Hsi-shan and Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang will hold a final conference at the Western Hills to-day.

Marshal Chiang has declared his intention to await the arrival of the Nanking Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, before returning to Nanking via Hankow and Hupeh.

As a result of an understanding between Chiang Kai-shek and Chung Hsueh-liang, the Manchurian Government will shortly establish the Fifth Nationalist Demobilisation Headquarters at Mukden to disband superfluous Manchurian units, and the National Government will send Mr. Wu Te-chen, a former Canton Chief of Police, to Mukden to assist in supervising the disbandment procedure.

Marshal Yen Hsi-shan has dispatched a cablegram to Shensi requesting the presence in Peking of General Lu Chung-lin, the Chief-of-Staff of the "Christian" General.

Gen. Lu has been appointed by mutual agreement between Chiang Kai-shek and Yen Hsi-shan, as the Disbandment Commissioner of Shensi and Kansu Provinces, on the retirement of Feng Yu-hsien.

A Honan Appointment.

Gen. Han Fu-chu, the "turncoat" Kuomintang Divisional Commander, has been appointed by the National Government as Commander to the new Honan Provincial Government. Gen. assumed his post at Chengchow yesterday morning, according to a Honan telegram.

With the completion of the evacuation of all doubtful Kuomintang units from Honan Province, and with the occupation by Nanking troops under Tang Seng-chi of Chenchow and Kaifeng in Honan, and, furthermore, with a joint promise by Yen and Feng to obey the orders of the Central authorities, an early settlement of the Honan-Nanking dispute is assured. The prospects are evidenced by the cessation of all troop movements.

The Kuomintang Units.

Mr. H. H. Kung, Nanking Minister of Commerce, Industry and Labour, returned to Peking yesterday from a trip to Taiyuanfu in Shansi to interview Feng Yu-hsien on behalf of Chiang Kai-shek.

He informed pressmen that Feng has consented to leave China within three months. The Kuomintang troops, he says, now number about 210,000, according to his observations, and after

ELECTION RESULT.**TORY PRESS COMMENT.**

London, June 1. The *Morning Post*, the keenest of the Tory papers, published the following editorial to-day:—Now that the election results are known, save for the University seats, and a few stray returns yet to come in from mountainous parts and outlying islands, we know and can face the position. The great Conservative majority has gone; the Government, which was as imposing and seemed as secure in its bulk and strength as the Lusitania, has been torpedoed, and although it remains afloat, is fatally disabled and must shortly founder. We can say with certainty what hand launched the deadly shaft, since we gather from the figures that strong as the Socialists are, the Conservatives would have retained a comfortable majority but for the calculated intervention of the Liberals. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will now lead the largest Party in the House of Commons, although not large enough to give him what he prayed for, an independent majority.

Such are the broad results. We must call them disastrous to the country, since they destroy a settled administration, and with it that security which is the life of trade and that tranquillity which is the hope of industry. It is besides an obvious advantage to a nation to have a Government which speaks with the authority of power, both at home and abroad, and whose policy and continuance may be reckoned upon with reasonable confidence. We cannot but fear, when we consider the situation, that a heavy blow has been struck at the slowly reviving prosperity of the nation, since trade and commerce are naturally sensitive to political uncertainty, especially when accompanied by such threats of revolution as are included in the Socialist programme. The nation is faced with a stalemate, in which there is no majority in the House of Commons to support a Government, and from which only an impotent and insecure tenure can be expected for any Administration. The Government's position is unfortunately complicated by the illness of the King, and if there is one thing certain in the situation it is that the Prime Minister will do everything with a view to removing care, as far as possible, from the sick bed. There is no other consideration to tempt Mr. Baldwin to remain in office a moment longer than is indispensable to the preliminaries of change. As for the politician who launched that shot, he is discredited even in his moment of triumph. For the electorate has passed its derivative verdict both on the unemployment pledge and the Party which made it. Mr. Lloyd George may flatter himself that he holds a balance of power; he will discover in due time that it will bring him nothing to console him for the political discredit of his disastrous adventure.

For the Conservative Party, it will meet this shock with faith and courage unabated. The Party and its Leader have turned defeat into victory before, and will do again. They have lost a commanding majority; but they have not lost those things which really count—unity, mutual trust, and self-respect. As for Mr. Baldwin, he has strengthened still further his claims upon the confidence and affection of his Party. He has fought a straight and manly fight, in which defeat can be no disgrace, and the memory of which will be an incentive to future victory. Faith in the cause is not diminished, but confirmed; and Mr. Baldwin can be assured that the respect and devotion which he has so abundantly earned will not in this hour be least forthcoming. Even on the stricken field the first thought will be to repair the loss and stand on the duty of defence. Even in losing the fight the Party has gained in devotion and experience, and felt the inspiration of its leadership. The Party preserves the honour which it values most, and will continue to maintain its hardly less valued independence. Though no longer a majority in the House, it will remain as the vigilant guardian of every national interest against dangers which it can plainly foresee.

rigid demobilisation the army can be reduced to 110,000, which should be more than adequate to ensure the protection of Kansu, Shensi and Honan Provinces.

Closing Discussions.

Peking, July 9. Chiang Kai-shek will probably be returning to Nanking tomorrow, although it is expected that he will not go before he has conversed with Dr. C. T. Wang.

Chiang's preparations before his departure, with a wealth of mutual entertaining among the leaders here, indicate that the more important discussions on domestic affairs have ended.

It is understood that in addition to bringing influence to bear on Feng, Dr. C. T. Wang will discuss Sino-Japanese and Sino-Russian issues with Chang Hsueh-liang.

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LORRY'S FAULTY BRAKES.**VEHICLE WHICH CUT CORNER & HIT CYCLIST.****THIRTY DOLLAR FINE.**

Charges of (1) failing to have two independent and efficient brakes on his lorry, and of (2) failing to keep close to the left hand side of the road, failing to sound his horn and reduce speed as far as advisable when turning into Chi Wo Street from Jordan Road, were brought against the driver of a motor lorry before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

It was given in evidence that a delivery van from the Star Store in Nathan Road was turning into Jordan Road from Chi Wo Street on a bicycle yesterday afternoon when the lorry, instead of taking a wide turn, "cut" the corner and collided with the cyclist.

The driver of the lorry was stated to have failed to sound his horn as a warning to other traffic. Sergeant Scrim, who subsequently tested the lorry, found the hand brake useless, and while the foot brake was in good working order, it occasionally failed to act on account of the floor boards being loose.

On the roadway, where the accident occurred, were skid marks indicating that the lorry had "cut" the corner.

His Worship registered a conviction on the first charge and imposed a fine of \$30, the second count being dropped.

DRESSES AND FURS.**WOMAN ORDERED TO PAY £5 A WEEK.**

A judgment summons against Mrs. Babette Eleanor Gamble in respect of a debt of £418 for goods sold to her by Maison Arthur, Limited, of Dover-street, W., came before Mr. Justice Astbury in the Chancery Division recently.

Mrs. Lane, who represented the judgment creditors, said that the case had been adjourned on two occasions at the debtor's request and on a medical certificate that she was too ill to attend. She had not appeared that day, and they were anxious that she should attend.

Mr. Justice Astbury—if your affidavit is correct, she apparently lives in all the fashionable hotels in London in turn—I think she does.

Mr. Justice Astbury—I think you would be wise to have her examined as to her means. What is the debt for?

Mrs. Lane said that the creditors were Court dressmakers, and this debt was for dresses and furs.

Mr. Justice Astbury—What is the lady who incurred the debt?

Mrs. Lane—I do not think very much except to spend money, and apparently she obtains money to pay her bills when she desires. Mr. Justice Astbury—I think I had better make an order against her. She obviously has either means or the means of getting the means. I will make an order for payment of £5 a week.

THE ORCHESTAR.**PAST AND PRESENT.**

It is difficult to imagine what Mozart or Haydn would have thought if it had been possible to put a modern score before them; because it is a fact that only those musicians can be said to be capable of a genuine appreciation of our modern orchestra who were born—and it were—with a knowledge of the immensity of the development which modern music has already gone through and is still about to go through.

And yet it is true that a good many years have passed since the days when Hector Berlioz and Richard Wagner, the greatest revolutionaries in the domain of orchestral technique, were alive. Wagner effected very considerable progress in the technique of the "valve" instruments; and it is not too much to say that, without cornets-a-pistons, the marvellous "Meistersinger" score could never have been written so beautifully as it really is. Formerly, the cornet player was merely able to produce a small number of natural notes on his instrument, supplemented by a few stop notes, whilst he can now produce without difficulty all the sounds of the chromatic scale.

Every conductor regrets that Beethoven was unable to make use of those instruments, because they were still unknown at his time; and for the sake of clearness it is often desirable—nay, even urgently necessary—to introduce some discreet retouching here and there.

Wood Winds.

Wagner also employed three sets of wood winds, and created, in "The Ring of the Nibelung," a special acoustic atmosphere altogether his own. The normal type of orchestra was supplemented, in addition to the strings, wood winds and brass instruments of which it usually consisted, by a fourth set of wood winds and tubas. The latter—also known as ring tubes—were principally employed by Wagner in his musical description of the sombre character of the world of the Nibelung kingdom.

Richard Strauss—the most accomplished orchestral artist of our own day—still further extended the possibilities of the Wagnerian orchestra, as may be seen most clearly in his "Salomé" and "Electra". He added a number of instruments, such as the heckelphone, increased the number of clarinets, etc. By doing so, he provided the orchestra with that particular timbre which we denote by the term "Straussian". But Strauss himself recognized that it would not do to increase the number of instruments indefinitely; and by his "Arindel" he proved that he has just as much command of a small chamber orchestra as of a very big one.

A notable feature of recent developments is the increased use made of the piano as an orchestral instrument. Although the piano sounds somewhat unexpressive when it is employed to accompany the emotional music of the strings, its use in connexion with the other sections of the full orchestra is very valuable, provided that it is skilfully introduced.

The Saxophone.

The much-abused—and much-traited—saxophone has also found its way into the modern orchestra. This, of course, is not to be said for, I, at least, do not know any other instrument which so completely reflects the mentality of our age (translated into music), as the saxophone, the popularity of which is enormous. Finally the instruments of percussion, such as drums, kettle-drums, tambourines, cymbals, etc., are also of much greater importance now than they were formerly.

These numerous and diversified kinds of instruments enable modern composers to produce an endless variety of musical effects; and it depends on the skill and the artistic sense of each individual composer whether he succeeds in "mixing his colours" well or otherwise, and whether he simply follows in the wake of his predecessors or creates entirely novel combinations and varieties of sound.

Apart from German composers, some Russians, e.g., Scriabin, and some Frenchmen, e.g., Debussy, have exercised an important stimulating influence upon the technique of modern orchestration.

STREET BATTLE IN SINGAPORE.**POLICE KILL TWO CHINESE GUNMEN.****REVOLVER FIGHT.**

Singapore, July 3. A desperate armed battle between five Cantonese bandits and two officers of the law was waged in the Geylang district early last night and as a result two of the bandits were shot dead while the two officers are lying in hospital undergoing treatment for bullet wounds.

The two officers of the law are detective police constables attached to the Rochore division police and were on rounds when they clashed with robbers and acquitted themselves gallantly in a stand-up gun fight.

One of the detectives, a Malay named Hassim, sustained a wound in the leg while the other, a Chinese, was shot through the chest and his condition is considered precarious.

Intended Raid.

The scene of the shooting was at the junction of Sims Avenue and Lorong 27, Geylang, and the battle was waged shortly after nine o'clock. At the junction there is a coffee shop on a fairly large scale and it is said that it was the intention of the bandits to raid this place.

The five bandits, each armed with pistols and revolvers, reached the junction at about the same time as the two detectives.

The detectives, seeing the suspicious movements of the bandits, approached them and as they drew nearer the gangsters whipped out their weapons and opened rapid fire. Although taken aback at first by the warm reception accorded them the detectives pluckily stood their ground and—fortunately being armed—returned the fire.

Numerous shots were exchanged by both parties holding their own. The robbers, it is said, re-loaded their weapons while others of their gang held out against the detectives who kept up their fire.

The bandits were evidently poor marksmen for, in spite of the dozens of rounds fired, they failed to hit the detectives.

Deadly Fire.

The officers of the law kept up a deadly fire and two of the bandits rolled over on the road dead. They were themselves hit soon afterwards, the Chinese detective falling with a bullet wound in his chest and the Malay getting shot in the leg.

The Geylang police were soon informed and a reinforcement under Inspector Higgins arrived on the scene, but the remaining three bandits made good their escape before their arrival. It is believed that the escaped bandits also sustained wounds.

A *Straits Times* reporter who visited the scene this morning saw large pools of blood on the road and it is remarkable that stray bullets did no harm except hitting a pillar in one or two places in view of the large number of houses in the vicinity.

The battle was waged almost at the door step of a block of houses occupied by well-to-do Chinese families, who were terror-stricken. Police whistles were blown and doors and windows were closed as soon as the rapid fire of the gunmen and detectives was heard.

A search made by the police after the fight brought to light a revolver with four empty rounds and two live rounds and an automatic pistol fully loaded. These belonged to the two dead gunmen. One of the weapons has been identified as stolen a few months ago. Several live rounds and empty cartridge cases were also picked up.

This is the most serious outbreak in the Geylang district for a long time. During years gone by the district was notorious for gang fights and murders.

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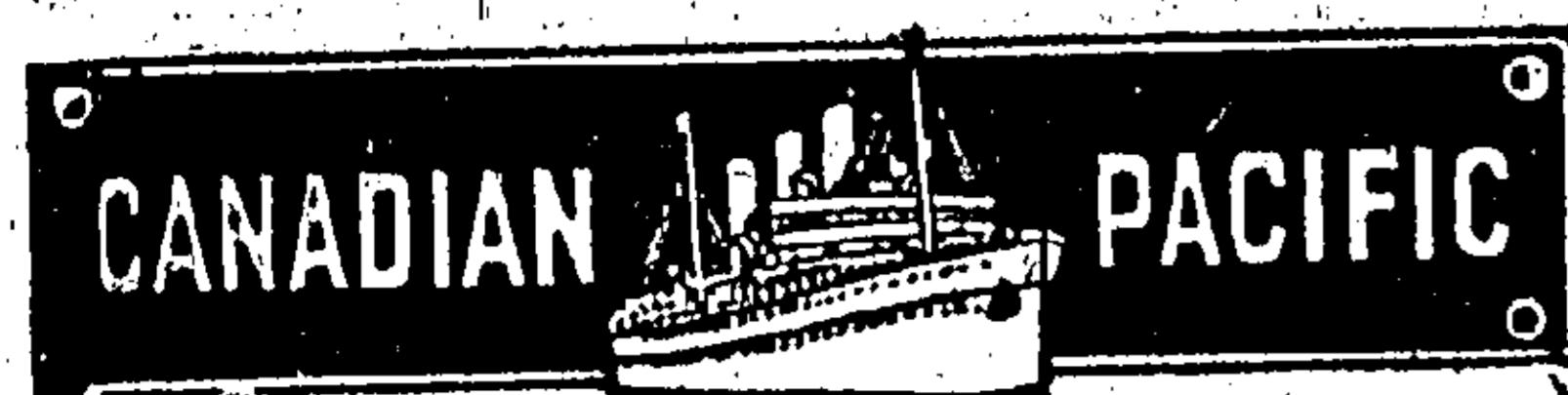
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Empress of Russia	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26				
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A Chinese who had exploited a clever pretence of sorcery on two unsuspecting compatriots, found himself before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on charges of obtaining money by trick.

The defendant pleaded not guilty.

Detective Sergeant Meadows who appeared for the prosecution informed his Worship that the defendant had visited one of the complainants in Kowloon City and after they had gone to smoke opium together, the defendant, on their return to the house, intimated that he was capable of changing \$1 into \$10 or any other sum.

He suggested an experiment and obtained a bowl of boiling water into which was placed certain charms and joss paper. Under the bowl he placed a dollar note and after a short period he produced \$4 from under the bowl.

The following day the complainant received a sum of \$100 from various debtors in settlement of business accounts. The defendant suggested that this sum should be multiplied. He accordingly secured from the complainant a gold ring, 24 twenty-cent pieces and the \$300.

He wrapped the ring and the money in paper and tied it round the complainant's waist. The complainant was instructed to go to Hongkong and walk to the Shewee Company where he would find that the money had multiplied ten fold.

The defendant carried out part of the instructions but on reaching Hongkong he became suspicious. He untied the parcel round his girdle and found, to his astonishment, that it contained waste paper and a few coppers.

A similar ruse was played on the other complainant who was victimised of a sum of \$180.

The defendant was later pointed out to the Police in the street and arrested.

On conviction the defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour on each charge.

ARMY AGITATORS.

TIMELY GOVERNMENT ACTION IN RUMANIA.

London, July 9.

The military rebellion, long brewing in Rumania, suffered a severe setback yesterday when, according to accounts received from various indirect routes, Government troops swooped down and arrested hundreds of military, including several prominent officers.

A message from Berlin says that the newspapers describe the plans of the conspirators to arrest the members of the Government and institute a military regime, but the Government's timely action nipped in the bud the insurrection and the garrison at Bucharest is being held in readiness to deal with eventualities.

A Bucharest message states that a number of agitators under a former Colonel named Stoica, succeeded in suborning two officers of inferior rank. They have been arrested on a charge of conspiring against public order. The message adds that complete order reigns throughout the country and that there is no disaffection in the army.—Reuters.

Another Case.

The next case concerned a young Hindu, named Chung Ying, who was charged with the possession of documents, described as being of a rabidly anti-foreign nature.

The accused was arrested on June 23, which has been set aside by the Communists as a day of mourning over the "Shaken shoot-

SEDITIOUS PAPERS.

TWO MEN SENTENCED.

"We pass our days toiling like donkeys and cannot even get a drop of water," so ran a criticism, one of many alleging discrimination in the matter of the present water shortage, which were found in a document belonging to a Chinese who was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday afternoon with the possession of seditious literature.

For the accused, Mr. F.C.E. Rendall entered a plea of guilty to the technical possession of the documents while denying knowledge of the nature of the contents.

Detective-Sergeant O'Donovan said, at 4.30 in the early morning of June 27, he visited No. 6, Shing Wo Street, Happy Valley, by virtue of a warrant. There being no response to repeated knocks on the door, he broke it down and went up to the third floor, where he found the accused lying on a mat on the verandah.

Accused took him into the central cubicle, where his wife and two young children were sleeping, and admitted possession of the papers when 28 pamphlets and a small book were taken from a cupboard.

The Military Contribution.

Translations by the S.C.A. were put in; and glancing over the contents, the Magistrate expressed his appreciation of what he considered should have been an address to the Secretary of State on the Military Contribution. The reference to the necessity of building more reservoirs also drew a comment from the Magistrate.

The writer of the papers accused the Government of not considering the interests of the toiling masses,

and, reviewing the revenues of the Colony with a mass of figures, questioned the amount of the military contribution, which, he said, could be devoted to a better purpose than to training troops and building armaments for a second world war.

The writer of the papers accused

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Another daylight armed raid falls to be recorded. Yesterday morning, No. 222 Temple Street, Yaumati, was entered by six desperados armed with three revolvers and staying only about ten minutes they left with \$950 in Hongkong banknotes, and some jewellery, worth about \$1,253 altogether.

According to a report to the Police, the principal tenant, Chan Shui, 72, a widow, states that about 10.30 she was in the house in the company of her granddaughter, named Fung Yuk, a girl of 12. An unknown Chinese pushed open the door, and announced his intention to rent a cubicle. Before the old lady could realise what was happening, the man attacked her, holding her by the neck and half-dragging her into a cubicle.

He drew a revolver, and pointed it at the woman demanding that she keep silent.

Meanwhile a second robber entered, and treated the young girl in like manner, shutting her in the cubicle. Four other men entered later, and before commencing to loot the house the robbers bound and gagged the two occupants.

Apart from the large sum of banknotes stolen, the lost jewellery included a pair of gold bangles of twisted pattern, a pair of small bangles for children, a gold bracelet, a gold ring mounted with a piece of jade, and two pairs of gold ear-rings mounted with pearls.

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His Lordship criticised the method of doubling the amount actually received by borrowers in a case where the Indian claimed \$40 and interest and costs amounting to a further \$50. It was stated that the defendant still owed \$14.40, being the balance of a judgment debt. The moneylender issued a writ of execution for the amount and costs and then doubled it.

His Lordship said he would not allow the doubling system and gave judgment for \$14.40, the sum to be repaid at the rate of ten cents per annum. He ordered the first payment to be made on January 1, 1930.

COMPANY RESULTS.

HONGKONG BANK'S INTERIM DIVIDEND.

An interim dividend of £3 per share, subject to deduction of Income Tax, has been declared by the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, for the half year ending June 30, 1929, payable on and after August 6, 1929, at the offices of the Corporation.

Rome, July 9.

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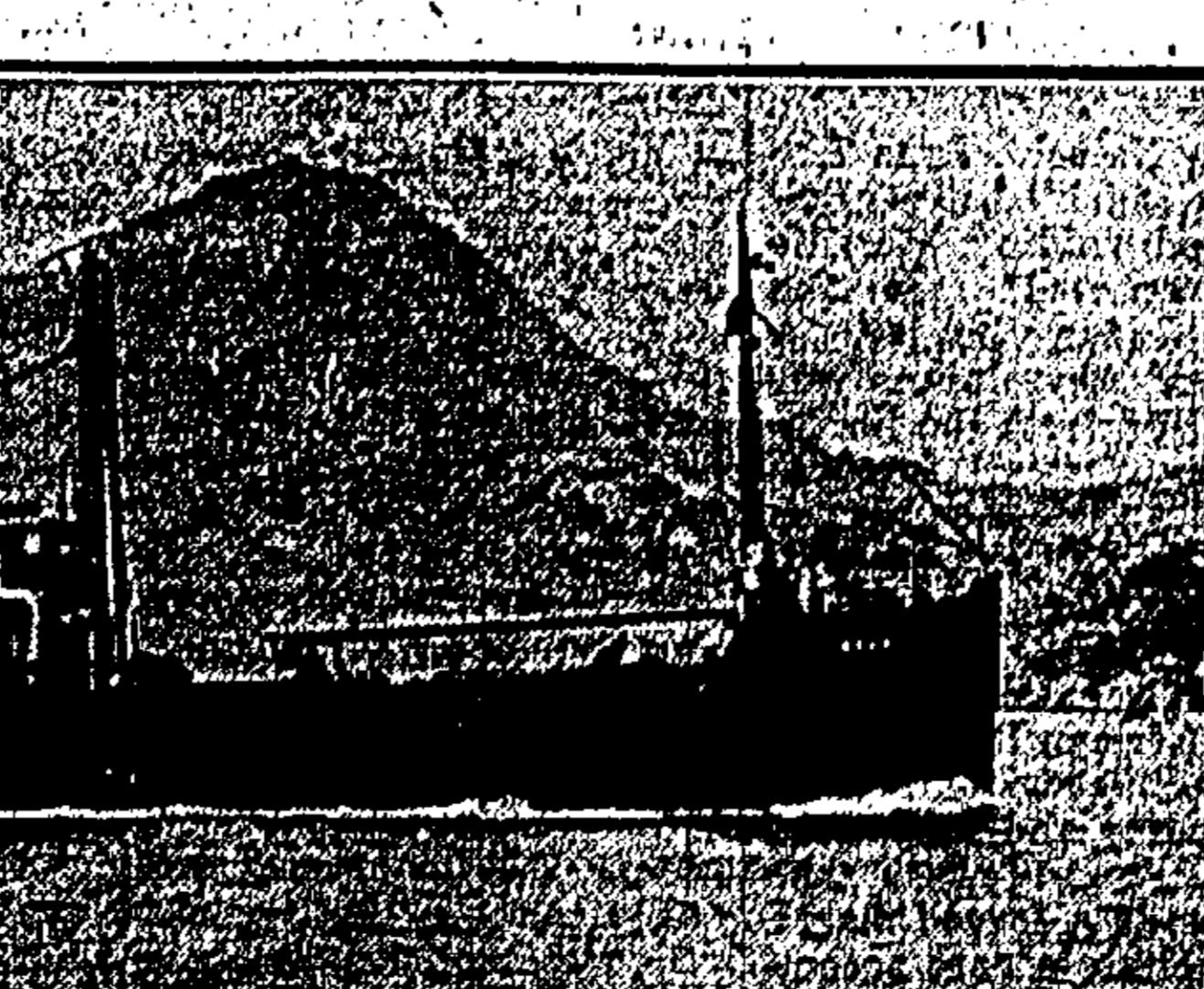
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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 25th Inst. or they will not be recognised.

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and flow of the Chinese population in Hongkong, therefore, disputes the absolute accuracy of our vital statistics concerning which it will not do for this Board to be too dogmatic. It will be interesting to discover by what means could we arrive at reliable data with reasonable degree of accuracy. My remarks have for their object the raising of discussion on this puzzling subject.

The Chairman pointed out that Mr. Braga had quoted figures for 1928 instead of 1929. Mr. Braga replied that he had quoted both as a comparison. The Chairman remarked that the figures for 1929 showed a far greater falling off. Mr. Braga said that even by comparison with last year there was a falling off of approximately four per cent.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin asked, arising out of the report from the Government Bacteriologist on water supplies on the Peak and from the Albany for June, 1929, if the Chairman would kindly inform the Board whether reports had been received from the Government Bacteriologist regarding water (a) as supplied by the tanks on the sea front; and (b) as drawn for use from same.

The Chairman promised to obtain the information required.

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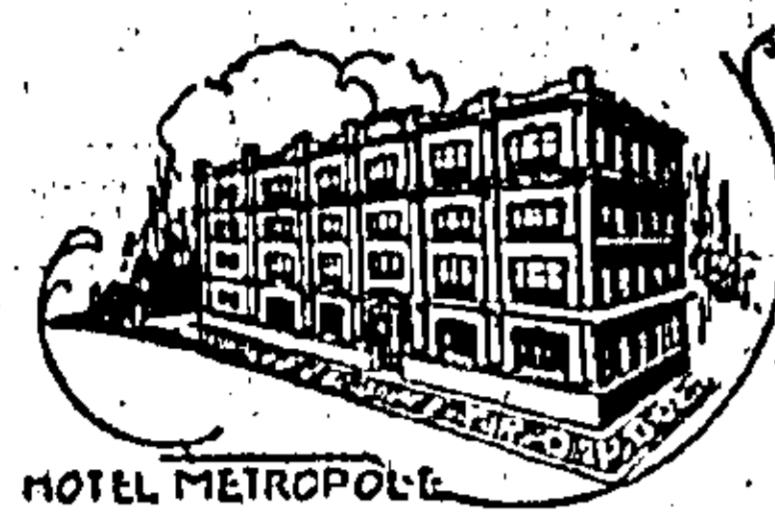
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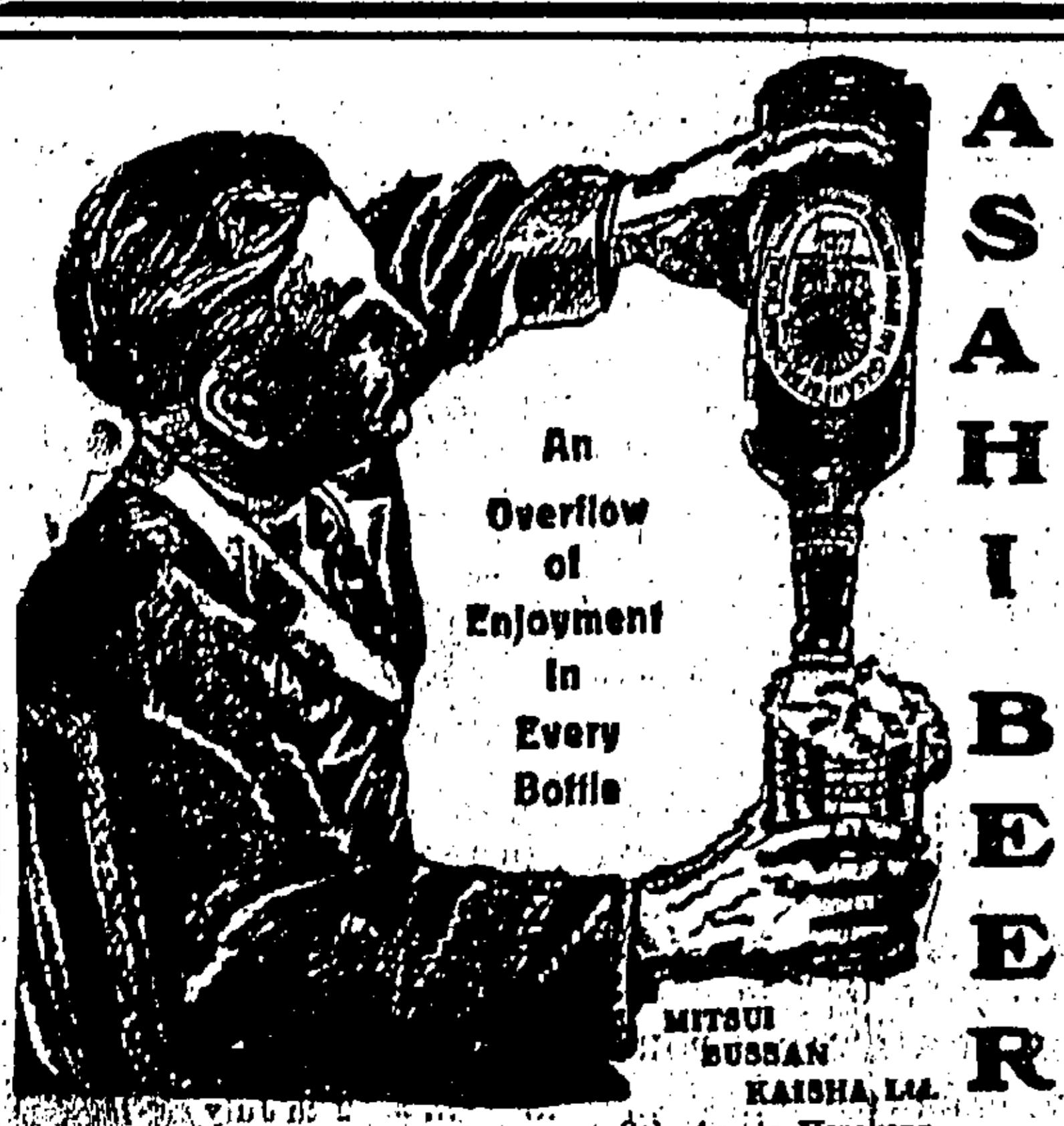
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P. I. GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN SHANGHAI.



Mr. Dwight F. Davis, now Governor-General of the Philippine Islands, arrived in Shanghai last week en route to his new post, and was warmly welcomed. Pictures show him inspecting a parade of Marines on the Bund foreshore, the Governor-General, in the lower picture, being seen taking the salute.

FIRST VOTE IN THE NEW COMMONS.

LOST SUBMARINE TRAGEDY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Mr. Snowden proceeded to argue that the value of British trade in India could be increased by £87,000,000 as compared with £2,000,000 to Australia, if the purchasing power of the people of the two countries was raised by, say, six shillings per capita.

Modernising India.

He contended that from this the best opportunity of developing Imperial trade lay. They could help India by lending her capital enabling the peasants to use steel instead of wooden ploughs, and also developing the use of motor-tractors. They might at some time be educated to the point of using motor-cars.

The present Government only differed from the last on the question of the method by which Imperial trade and development could be promoted.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. William Graham, said regarding the report of the safeguarding committee on the woollen and worsted industry published yesterday, that the Government did not consider it called for any action by them. If the House desired an opportunity it would be provided for discussing the report. He added it would be very easy to prove that the great majority of the members of the Trade Unions in the area concerned were against this proposal.

The Conservative safeguarding amendment was rejected by 340 votes to 220, a Labour majority of 120. Reuter.

KENYA RAID REPULSED.

KING'S AFRICAN RIFLES AGAIN IN ACTION.

Nairobi, June 7.

A further skirmish between British troops and raiding Merville tribesmen is reported from the region of the Sudan border. A raiding force of Abyssinians was gallantly repulsed from the northern frontier by a small force of the King's African Rifles as recently as April of this year, though not before the raiders had killed about 40 natives.

On the present occasion a patrol of the King's African Rifles under Captain Marindin received reports of a raiding party and sent word to Lieutenant Allen at Lokuta, who immediately made a forced march through the mountain pass accompanied by Mr. Remington, the Administrative Officer for the district.

The party succeeded in cutting off the raiders and on their return an action took place, as a result of which eighteen raiders were killed and an unknown number wounded. One lance-corporal of the King's African Rifles was wounded.

The experimental twelve months of marketing goods by the rail-post C.O.D. scheme have now ended, and the results show that progress has been steady, if somewhat slow. In May, 1928, the total number of consignments by the rail-post system was 2,211, and the returns for the succeeding quarters were: September—11,196, of which 10,545 were by passenger train; December—12,346, of which 10,334 were by passenger train; and March, 1929—14,417, of which 12,058 were by passenger train.

ALLEGED PIRATES ARRESTED.

FOUR MEN CAPTURED BY MACAO POLICE.

NOW IN HONGKONG.

It is learned that the police have taken into custody four men who are to be charged with being implicated in the piracy of a trading junk in Chinese waters on the 2nd instant.

The facts connected with the piracy were that a Hongkong-registered trading junk, carrying a cargo of fruit, valued at about \$300, was on a trip from Sai Heung, in Chinese territory, to Macao, where it was overhauled and boarded by pirates from another junk. The master of the trader jumped overboard, and drifted on a plank into Tai-O harbour, where he was landed in a fisherman's net stretched from the shore.

Several days had elapsed since the report was made to the Hongkong police, when information was received that the pirate vessel had put in with the captured junk at Macao. Prompt action resulted in the arrest of four men. They have been turned over to the Hongkong police, by whom they will in due course be charged, before the Magistrate, with piracy and kidnapping.

MATSHER THEATRE DANGERS.

FINE FOR GANGWAYS OBSTRUCTION.

Tseng San-chau and two others, one of them a *hakong*, were summoned before Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg at the Central Magistracy this morning for permitting an obstruction of the gangways during a performance at a matshed theatre on the foreshore at Shaukiwan, and for allowing drums and gongs to be beaten at prohibited hours.

A plea of guilty was returned by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, who addressed the Court on certain points in extenuation of the defence.

Mr. Hazlerigg said a serious view had to be taken of the case in view of the danger of fire to a building susceptible to such risks. He would, however, take into consideration the charitable nature of the performance, and imposed a fine of \$50.

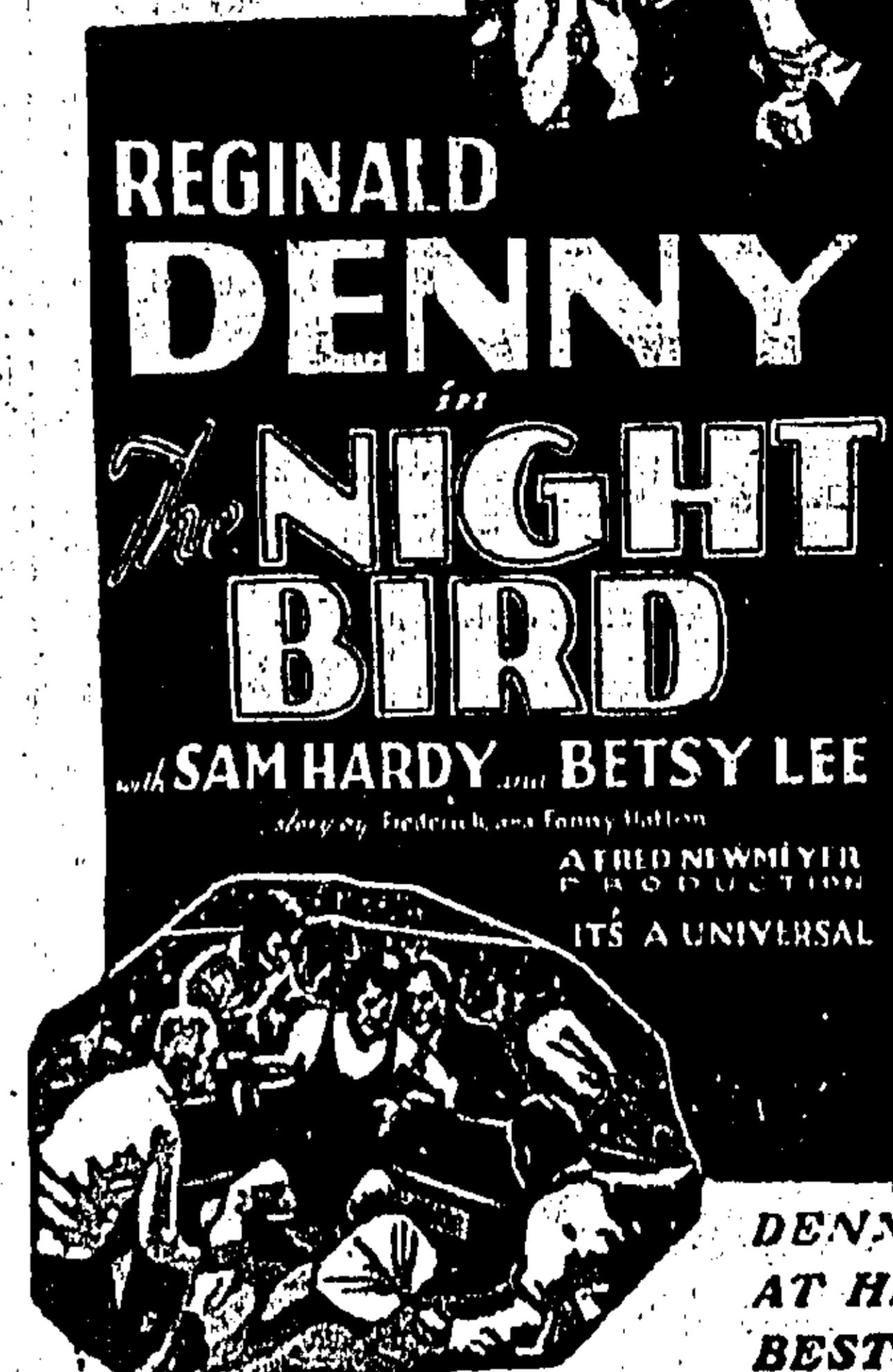
Defendants were cautioned on the other summons.

Manchester University has received notice of a bequest of \$10,000 under the will of Lady (Edith Jane) Durning-Lawrence. The bequest will establish a "John Benjamin Smith Fund." Lady Durning-Lawrence was a daughter of the late Mr. John Benjamin Smith.

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